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Microsoft's plan to pay off a supposed \$1.1 billion settlement by "providing" its own software is an absolute joke.

Not only does it not cost Microsoft the full dollar amount (bad enough on its own) but, in the process of "giving" school districts "free" software and Intel computers,

1. hooks them into the Windows-Intel upgrade cycle for the foreseeable future,
  2. shut outs competition (from Apple or anyone else), and
  3. leaves everyone it touches thinking inside the Windows-Intel box.
- ("Does that software you want work with our FREE Windows/Intel systems? No? Well, then we'd better stay away from it, then!").

What kind of settlement "penalizes" the wrongdoer by leaving it in a stronger position than before? See the first line of this message.

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